

**COMMENT OF
THE DAY**

**New Kind Of
Diplomacy**

AMONG the stranger features of diplomacy today are the need for conferences and the difficulty of arranging them. They are necessary because the only means of negotiation between the Communists and other Powers appears to be either the formal conference or the protracted and long-range exchange of formal notes. The United Nations has become rather a forum for public debate than an opportunity for discussion and settlement and co-operation. And diplomatic relations with the Communist countries no longer fulfil their proper purpose. For reasons of their own the Russians have withdrawn from the pre-war diplomatic contacts. The embassies can deliver or receive notes or announcements. But the usual diplomatic channels are choked by Soviet disinclination to make use of them. Earlier this year Mr Eden made an attempt to put Anglo-Soviet diplomatic relations again on a normal and useful basis. Sir Alvir Gascoigne tried to discuss in the traditional manner a number of specifically Anglo-Soviet questions of comparatively minor importance with the Russian Foreign Office. Despite some small concessions, Russia gave no real encouragement. In Anglo-Chinese relations the record is even stranger and even more discouraging. In 1951 after recognising the Chinese Communist Government, Britain sent a Charge d'Affaires to Peking as a first step to establishing full diplomatic relations and exchanging ambassadors. But the Peking Government has prevented any further step and has not even sent a Charge d'Affaires to London. It is this breakdown of the normal machinery of diplomacy which drives it to the conference room as the only available method of discussing problems of common interest. It is not a good method. It has many disadvantages. Conferences take place under the spotlight of public attention. Time is apt to be limited and the agenda crowded. The process takes on a formal character and only too often the character of a conflict between two sides. But it seems the only way now possible. There is a further difficulty. Without proper diplomatic procedure the very business of holding a conference becomes a major problem. Questions of date and place and agenda become the subject of public controversy. It is so in the case of the proposal for a four-power conference on Germany and Austria, and likewise in the case of the Korean political conference. The purpose of that conference is set out in Article 60 of the armistice agreement. It is "to settle through negotiation the questions of the withdrawal of all foreign forces from Korea, the peaceful settlement of the Korean question, etc." The withdrawal of foreign forces would follow automatically if there could be a "peaceful settlement of the Korean question." This is really the crucial issue and its difficulty can be neither ignored nor disguised. The question eventually revolves around the holding of free elections in Korea, and the Communists are well aware that anything in the nature of free elections would mean the end of all Communist control and of nearly all Communist influence. This is a formidable prospect which the Communists are bound to resist, and it must be taken for granted that the difficulties of reaching an agreement about the convening of the political conference will not compare with the difficulties of reaching agreement in the conference itself.

**RUSSIA IGNORES BIG 3
INVITATION**

**Reply Makes No Reference
To Talks On Austria
And Germany**

Washington, Nov. 3.
Russia apparently has killed all hope for an early Big Four Foreign Ministers' meeting to draft peace treaties for Germany and Austria, official sources said tonight. The officials said that a study of the Soviet reply to an American-British-French invitation to meet at Lugano, Switzerland, on November 9 indicated that the Russians side-stepped the question of the meeting. The note was understood to repeat Russia's former proposal for a Five-Power Foreign Ministers' conference, including Communist China and a separate Big Four Ministers' meeting. Russia was said to have proposed that the Austrian issue be handled through normal diplomatic channels.

**RETURNING
TO FACE
CHARGE**

London, Nov. 3.
Lord Montagu of Beaulieu has announced that he will soon return to Britain to answer the charge of immorality, which has been made against him by the Hampshire police.

A statement by his lawyer today said that Lord Montagu had had no intention of avoiding the charge, but that he had delayed his return "until after a certain date."

Mr Kenneth Hume, who is also accused at the same time, had done the same for the same reason, it was stated.

The statement was understood to mean that the two accused did not wish to be in Britain at a time when the peer's sister, the Honourable Mary Clare Douglas Scott, Montagu, was being married to Viscount Garnock. —France-Press.

**Jordan-Israel
Troops Clash**

Jerusalem, Nov. 3.
The Arab Legion and Jordan's National Guardsmen battled 60 Israeli soldiers for 90 minutes last night when the Israelis attacked the village of Budrus near Qulbya, Jordan officials said today.

An Israeli military spokesman in Tel-Aviv said he knew nothing about the alleged incident. The last incident he heard of in the area, he said, was a skirmish on October 20, when Israeli charged that Arab Legion soldiers opened fire on a Mixed Armistice Commission meeting. —United Press.

**Man And Woman Plead
Guilty To Kidnapping**

Kansas City, Nov. 3.
Carl Austin Hall and Mrs Bonnie Brown Heady today pleaded guilty to kidnapping Bobby Greenlease, the son of an American millionaire, who was subsequently found murdered.

They were indicted by a federal grand jury last Friday, and today they told Federal Judge Albert Reeves that they would plead guilty.

Handcuffed and chained to wardens, Hall and Heady were taken separately by car from Kansas City prison to the court. Heady, aged 41, dressed in a brown costume, appeared calm, and smiled at the journalists. Hall, aged 34, on the other hand, seemed haggard and tired.

Judge Reeves fixed November 16 as the date on which the trial of Hall and Heady should start. Although the

accused have pleaded guilty, they are liable to the death sentence in accordance with a federal law if the jury so recommends.

Bobby Greenlease, the six-year-old son of a Kansas City millionaire, was taken by a ruse from the private school where he attended, by Mrs Heady on September 28. Later, his kidnappers demanded, and received, a record ransom of \$200,000.

Some \$225,000 were found in Hall's room, but the rest had disappeared. Bobby's body was found buried in the garden of a house at St. Joseph, Missouri. —France-Press.

Russia delivered its reply today to the United States, British and French envoys in Moscow.

A State Department spokesman said the note is 18 pages long and that the full text is expected here during the night. "When it is received it will be studied at the highest level and will be given full consideration," the spokesman said. Early reports of the contents, however, confirmed the opinion of United States officials that the Russians will not go along with any sincere effort to reach agreement on Germany and Austria—considered here to be the heat of the cold war—United Press.

NO ALLUSION
Moscow, Nov. 3.
The Soviet Union today, in a reply to the Western notes inviting the Soviet Union to attend four-power talks at Lugano, Switzerland, on November 9, made no reference to this subject, it was stated by informed sources here tonight.

They added that the Soviet reply was handed over to the three Western embassies at 6.30 p.m., Moscow time, and that the Soviet reply was a document of 18 pages—with no allusion whatsoever to the proposed four-power talks at Lugano.

Both the British and French governments revealed today that the Soviet Union had replied to the Western notes.

In London, a Foreign Office spokesman tonight announced the handing over of the Soviet reply to the British Embassy in Moscow. He added that the text of the Soviet reply had not yet reached the Foreign Office and that the contents of the note were unknown.

In Paris, the contents of the Soviet note were not divulged. Britain, America and France, in simultaneous notes, had invited the Soviet Union to take part in four-power talks on Austria and Germany at Lugano on November 9.

The Soviet reply followed many months of political and diplomatic activity in which six notes flowed between the West and Moscow and back. On July 15, the Western powers sent a note to Moscow proposing a meeting of the four foreign ministers to settle the German question.

On August 4, the Soviet government sent a note to the three Western powers accepting the principle of a meeting of the four foreign ministers, but proposing that the agenda should be enlarged to include all questions at present in dispute.

IN SAME VEIN
The Soviet government sent another note on August 16 in the same vein as their previous one. On September 2, the Western powers sent a note to the Soviet Union proposing a meeting of the four foreign ministers at Lugano on October 15 with the agenda limited to the German and Austrian questions.

On September 27, the Soviet government accepted the meeting of foreign ministers to settle the German problem on the condition that a further conference be held to settle other disputes, with Chinese Communist participation.

On October 18, the three Western powers proposed that the Lugano conference should be held, with four-power participation, on November 9.

Political circles in London tonight believed that the proposed Lugano meeting would not take place—at least, on the suggested date—in the light of reports on the Soviet reply handed to the Big Three today.

The British Foreign Office, however, made no statement on the subject and, as yet, no authorised comment was expected. —France-Press.



Many people lost their lives and hundreds of families lost their homes, when heavy floods recently swept the Reggio Calabria region of Southern Italy. Here troops assist in clearing roads in that area.—London Express.

**Three-Day
Strike
At Dakar**

Dakar, Nov. 3.
The vital West African port of Dakar was idle today as workmen answer a three-day strike call by the trade unions.

In addition to the waterfront, the strike virtually closed oil refineries, public works and the airport, except for Air France traffic.

Other establishments were less hard hit. Many business houses remained open, administrative services were only slightly crippled and all employees in hotels, cafes and restaurants were at work.

The strike was called by all the unions of Dakar and the Senegal in an attempt to obtain uniform application of the Territorial Labour Code to all workers.

French High Commissioner Bernard Cornut-Gentille said in a statement that a work stoppage would only result in "interrupting the negotiations currently in progress." Acting Senegal Governor Jean Guillon assured Senegalese workers that the Government was working in their interests.—Reuter.

**Hard Fighting
At Phunhoquan**

Hanoi, Nov. 3.
Flanked French Union Infantry rumbled into the key Communist command base of Phunhoquan today in a running battle, the once-gentle General Rene Cogen leaping from his jeep for cover under close gunfire.

The Red-led Vietminh, charging out of the thick underbrush, pounced on the French Union column closing in on the town 60 miles south of Hanoi.

Aircraft and artillery rained in on the Red ambushers and drove them off.

General Cogen was unhurt.—United Press.

**More Arrests
In Lucknow**

Lucknow, Nov. 3.
Police have rounded up 270 people here in the past 24 hours, bringing up to 900 the total number detained since Friday's clashes between students and police.

An official communiqué said the city was quiet during the last 24 hours, but eight students were arrested for defying a curfew.

Authorities said they would not extend the curfew, which was due to expire on Wednesday, but would impose a one-hour curfew at night until Friday.—Reuter.

**Campaign To Smash
Revolt Movement In E.
Germany Tightens**

Berlin, Nov. 3.
East German security police, whose ranks were purged after the June anti-Communist revolt, are intensifying their campaign to smash opposition to the regime, East German reports revealed today.

More arrests and trials of "spies, terrorists and saboteurs," who are alleged to be backed by the United States, are believed to be imminent.

Authoritative Allied and West German sources in West Berlin today said it was clear that a big "security drive" was being conducted in East Germany.

But none of them believed there was a threat of a "backlash" there between police and organized groups of German, Polish and Czech "anti-Communist partisans."

Allied sources here regarded political conditions in East Germany as relatively stable at present, with occasional isolated incidents involving police and opponents of the regime.

The death sentence in yesterday's spy trial at Cottbus, near the Polish border, and the weekend announcement that the Communists had smashed an alleged American-backed band of "spies, terrorists and saboteurs" were taken as evidence that the reorganised security police were showing their mettle.

They were now "mopping up" some of the hostile groups which escaped their net when they rounded up known anti-Communist after the revolt.

RIGOROUS DISCIPLINE
Discipline and training in all branches of the East German police has evidently been made more rigorous.

Most of the 537 East German police who fled to West Berlin last month said they could no longer stand this new tough policy.

In the past few months, the Communists have urged the public regularly to watch out for "Fascist terrorists and underground agents."

East German newspapers today renewed appeals to the public to support the State security forces in their drive against "Fascist agents."

They alleged that these "agents" were in the pay of the United States and operated under the command of a former Nazi general to sabotage the East German Government's new policy of improving living conditions.

A responsible Allied source here said that generally speaking, a "low state of morale" remained in East Germany as the aftermath of the June revolt.

East Germans had nursed high hopes of getting rid of their Communist government as a result of the opposition they showed, but they had been thwarted, he said.—Reuter.

**Floods In
Italy**

**Persia's Six
Proposals
To End The
Oil Dispute**

(From Arthur Cook)

Teheran, Nov. 3.
Persia wants Britain to run her oil industry, and the American envoy, Mr Herbert Hoover Jr., is on his way to London with six Persian proposals.

Today a member of the three-man Oil Commission appointed by Premier Zohedi told me of the Persian decisions, given to Mr Hoover at the end of a fortnight's fact-finding visit.

The Persian proposals were:

1. Britain to recognise the law which nationalised oil.

2. All work possible to be done by Persians, with Britons supervising. The Persians want American oil men only if they cannot get enough technicians from Britain.

3. The Britons to receive the same pay as they received from the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company.

4. Persia wants Britain to ship 80 per cent of the oil.

5. It is hoped Britain will handle sales on world markets.

6. "Just compensation for the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company can be fixed by a Persian court or any court agreed to by both sides."

Then comes a plea for urgent British cash help in her internal problems. It could be repaid out of oil revenue.

Said an Oil Commission member: "Mr Hoover wanted to visit Abadan but we thought it best he did not go. After all, if anyone sees Abadan it should be the British."—London Express Service.

**SITUATION IS
UNCHANGED**

Washington, Nov. 3.
The American Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, today stated that, basically, the Trieste situation had remained unchanged for the last week.

He said that conversations between the three Western allies, as well as conversations with Italy and Yugoslavia, were continuing with the object of holding a five-power conference. No concrete proposals had been put forward on this subject, he said.—France-Press.

**TEMPLER BACK
IN LONDON**

London, Nov. 3.
General Sir Gerald Templer, British High Commissioner for Malaya, arrived at London airport today on a "normal routine trip."

He expects to be here for about a fortnight.

"Everything is going to plan," he said at the airport. "I am fairly happy about the situation out there and I certainly hope to see the white area system extended soon."—Reuter.

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Resolution Fails To Get Two-Thirds Majority

World Is Moving Towards Unity, Says King Paul

New York, Nov. 3.

King Paul of the Hellenes told a special meeting of the United Nations General Assembly today that despite threats of total disintegration, the world was nonetheless moving towards ultimate unity.

The King spoke from the rostrum of the vast Plenary Hall, filled with delegates from 60 member countries. King Paul was accompanied by his Queen on their official visit to the United Nations headquarters.

The Secretary-General, Mr. Dag Hammarskjöld, greeted the royal visitors on their arrival and afterwards accompanied them to the balcony on the second floor to meet Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit of India, President of the General Assembly. King Paul told the delegates that he was happy to represent his nation among them today and proud to stand before them "in this temple of freedom and peace."

The King said: "Should the powers of destruction at any moment dare to interfere in an attempt to strangle the salutary work of the United Nations, Greece stands ready to throw herself at once into the struggle at the service of the world organization."

Greece was also contributing today to the spirit of the United Nations in an even more valuable way, he said.

"The example we have given in achieving true friendship with Yugoslavia and Italy, and the serious wish we have expressed to become good neighbours with Bulgaria and Albania is proof of our good intentions toward all other nations and of our earnest desire to serve the United Nations and not just to be protected by it."

"I believe that in spite of total disintegration from the atom and hydrogen bombs, the world is nonetheless moving towards ultimate unity."

INSPIRING EXAMPLE

King Paul's speech was preceded by a short address of welcome by Mrs. Pandit. It is rightly said that Western civilization owes its highest achievements to the inspiration advanced by the example of ancient Greece," she said.

"But the contribution of your country is deeper and wider than that. It is not the inheritance of Europe only, but part of the memory and instincts of civilized societies everywhere."

She expressed the Assembly's deep sympathy for the suffering caused by the recent earthquakes in the Ionian Islands.

"We are, however, glad that the efforts of our organization to give succour and assistance have been of some value," added Mrs. Pandit.

"We hope the ancient fortitude of the people of Greece will soon overcome this latest calamity. Because the historic traditions of Greece animate so powerfully the purposes and principles of the United Nations we feel that the foundations of our organization are to a significant extent the foundations of your own glorious past."

"When I welcome your majesties to these precincts I feel I am not fanciful in saying that I welcome you home."

Later the King and Queen were taken to the north delegates' lounge, where a diplomatic reception was held. Mr. Hammarskjöld, accompanied by Mr. Stephen Stephenson, the Greek Minister for Foreign Affairs, and Alexis Kyrou, permanent representative at the United Nations, introduced each chairman of a delegation and the permanent representative to the King and Queen. The royal visit lasted nearly two hours.—Reuter.

Farouk Engages Lawyer

Damascus, Nov. 3.

Former King Farouk of Egypt has asked of Sheriff, a well-known Damascus lawyer and former leader of the dissolved Republican Party, to defend his interests in the divorce suit started by former Queen Nariman, his wife.

Sheriff told the Agency France-Press that he recently went to Rome at the request of Ex-King Farouk, who entrusted him with this affair, and added that he would go to Cairo as soon as the date of the trial had been set.—France-Press.

RUSSIAN WORKERS VISIT U.K.

London, Nov. 3.

A delegation of Soviet "cultural workers" have left Moscow for London to take part in an Anglo-Soviet friendship month, the Soviet news agency Tass reported.

Led by a people's artist of the USSR, Grigori Alexandrov, the delegation consists of five others, representing trade unions, medical science and teaching.—China Mail Special.

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Mrs Pandit Calls Vote In U.N. Ridiculous Move

New York, Nov. 3.

A resolution to ensure the right of the people of Morocco to free democratic political institutions and renew appeals for a reduction in tension in the territory failed to obtain the necessary two-thirds majority in the United Nations General Assembly today.

The vote on the operative paragraph of the resolution, submitted by Bolivia and amended by India in the Assembly's Political Committee last month, was 33 in favour, 21 against with five abstentions. France boycotted today's session.

In a discussion on whether the resolution as a whole should be put to the vote, Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit of India, the President of the Assembly, said the Assembly had made itself ridiculous by rejecting the operative part while giving the necessary simple majority to the preamble paragraphs.

Mr. Nasrallah Entesam, the Persian delegate, suggested an amendment to make the operative part read:

"Recognises the right of the people of Morocco to complete self-determination in conformity with the Charter."

M. Jacob Malik, of the Soviet Union, said that since Persia had moved an amendment, the resolution could not be regarded as either rejected or adopted.

Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, the British delegate, said it would create a muddle if the Assembly started to vote on amendments to a resolution which has been defeated.

RULING UPHOLD

Mrs Pandit's ruling that the Assembly pass on to the next item was upheld by 32 votes to 11, with nine abstentions.

Chile, which had voted against it then, cast its ballot for approval today.

Brazil, Paraguay, Peru and Turkey switched from abstentions to opposition. Canada, which had voted against the Committee, abstained today, and Uruguay, which had abstained, cast its vote in the affirmative.

The voting on the operative part of the Moroccan resolution was:

In favour: Afghanistan, Argentina, Bolivia, Burma, Czechoslovakia, Chile, China, Egypt, Ethiopia, Guatemala, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Lebanon, Liberia, Mexico, Norway, Pakistan, Persia, Philippines, Poland, Saudi Arabia, Sweden, Syria, Thailand, Ukraine, USSR, Uruguay, Yaman and Yugoslavia.

Against: Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Haiti, Honduras, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Turkey, Union of South Africa, United Kingdom, United States.

Abstaining: Canada, El Salvador, Greece, Israel and Venezuela.—Reuter.

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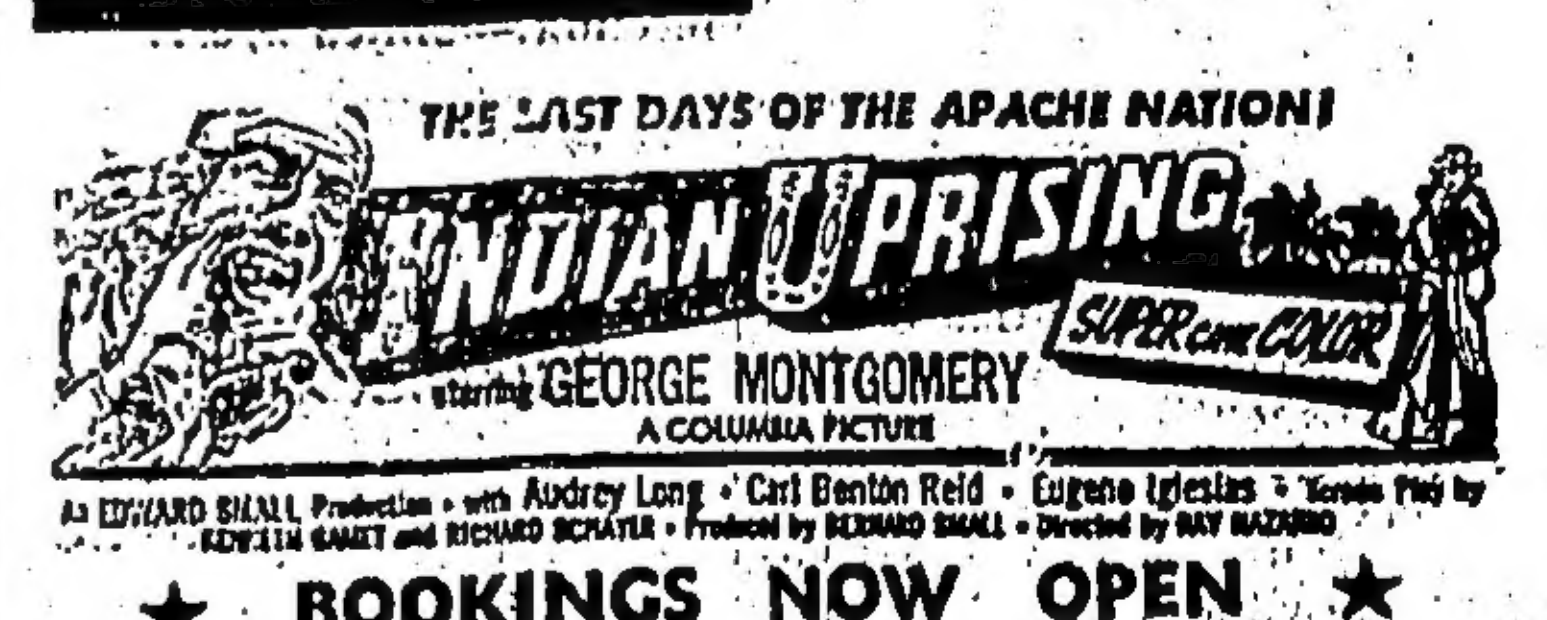
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Mr Walter Stevens, leader
of the first British trades
union delegation to visit
Communist China, tonight
accused the United States
of permitting "back door"
exports to China through
Japan.Mr Stevens, Secretary of the
Communist-dominated Electrical
Trades Union, described the
delegation's tour at a press
conference.He said: "It seemed strange
to us in cities like Peking,
Nanking and Shanghai that we
were inevitably driven about in
American cars — new Buicks,
Chevrolets and Fords generally.
"It was four days before we
saw our first British car in
China.""When we asked how these
American cars came to be in
China, we were told that they
came from United States agents
in Japan.""We could not, and cannot,
understand how this market can
be closed to Britain when the
United States is allowing what
must be strategic exports into
China by the back door."

GREAT OPENINGS

Mr Stevens, who went to
China with seven other mem-
bers of the Electrical Trades
Union in September, added
that there were immense op-
portunities for trade with
China, and the Chinese were
eager to trade.With four-fifths of the
population engaged in primi-
tive agriculture, there were
great openings for sales of
every type of farm equipment,
pumps and earth-moving
equipment.In one large jute factory, the
delegation was told the manage-
ment had applied to the Gov-
ernment to place orders for a
new British type of equipment.
Obstacles were placed in the
way of exporting the equipment
from Britain and as a result,
the plant will eventually be
produced in China.—Reuter.Request For
InformationWashington, Nov. 3.
The U.S. Ambassador in
Moscow, Mr Charles Bohlen,
has asked the Soviet Govern-
ment for information about
two American citizens alleged
to have been seen in Soviet
prisoner camps, the Secretary
of State, Mr John Foster
Dulles, revealed today.Austrian prisoners freed
recently and who had returned to
Vienna, had stated that they
had seen the Americans, H. Cox
and Leland Towers, in a camp
before they were repatriated.Mr Dulles said that Mr
Bohlen, acting on his instruc-
tions, had questioned the Soviet
Government about these reports
yesterday.—France-Press.Pope Receives
King HusseinKing Hussein of Jordan photographed with the Supreme
Pontiff at the Vatican recently. King Hussein, who had been
conveying in Rome following a sinus operation, has since
returned to his country.—Express Photo.Sudan Elections:
Bribery Charges

Khartoum, Nov. 3.

Southern Sudan police are investigating cases
in which National Unionist agents allegedly offered
bribes to voters in Rumbek, Bahreghazal Pro-
vince, to vote for their candidate.Polling in the elections, which last until
December 5, began yesterday to give the Sudanese
their first national Parliament.They are expected to pro-
vide an indication of the
country's future—complete in-
dependence or independence and
union with Egypt.Two main parties are con-
testing the elections—the
Umma Party, which advocates
complete independence, and the
National Union Party, which
advocates unity with Egypt.
There are also two minor
parties.The elections are being held
under the Anglo-Egyptian agree-
ment of February 12 which pro-
vides that the Government to be
set up would last for three years.
Then a Constituent Assembly
would be elected which would
choose between complete in-
dependence and union with Egypt.Since 1899, Britain and Egypt
have jointly ruled the Sudan.

LONDON COMMENT

London, Nov. 3.
A Foreign Office spokesman
said today that Egyptian officials
of Sudanese origin had recently
gone from Egypt into the Sudan
where elections are now taking
place.He said in answer to a ques-
tion that some of these Egyptian
officials had been given two or
three months leave with full
pay.The spokesman was comment-
ing on press reports that there
had been an Egyptian "tourist
invasion" aimed at influencing
the Sudan elections.He emphasised the Egyptian
officials who had entered the
Sudan did not have the right to
vote, but the Sudan Government
had not prohibited their entry.
The choice before the Sudan
electorate is between parties
favouring complete independence
or union with Egypt.—Reuter.Britain's
Gesture
To Burma

Rangoon, Nov. 3.

Burma's financial obligations
to Britain arising out of the 1947
treaty of independence have
been settled at a total of £7,300,-
000—a substantial reduction on
the figures quoted in 1950.The Foreign Office announced
today that outstanding financial
questions had been settled by
negotiations which "were mark-
ed throughout by friendly un-
derstanding and a spirit of
accommodation."According to the settlement,
Burma has taken over Britain's
obligation to pay £3,300,000 to
the Union Bank of Burma in
respect of currency redemption.Britain has accepted a round
figure of £4,000,000 in a single
down payment as final settle-
ment of the Union Government's
total indebtedness under the
1947 treaty.The debt was for capital as-
sets, mostly military equipment,
which Britain transferred to
Burma on the eve of her
independence.—Reuter.Tokyo's Special Envoy
Begins Talks
In London
SEES MR BUTLER

London, Nov. 3.

Mr Hayato Ikeda, special envoy of Mr Shigeru
Yoshida, the Japanese Prime Minister, had a
private meeting today with Mr Richard Butler,
Chancellor of the Exchequer.A Treasury spokesman described the meeting
as a courtesy visit by Mr Ikeda.The envoy was understood to have unofficially dis-
cussed ways and means of expanding Japan's trade
with the sterling area, of which Britain is the banker.Mr Ikeda, who arrived by air
from Washington on Sunday, is
also having informal talks with
British businessmen on Anglo-
Japanese trading problems.Mr Ikeda will fly on Wednes-
day to Düsseldorf, Western
Germany, and will visit Bonn
and Paris for "personal observa-
tions" and meetings with
Government authorities before
returning to Tokyo.He has just had month-long
talks in Washington with United
States officials the build-
ing up Japan's defences. His
three-day visit to London is an
unofficial one.A Japanese spokesman said that
Mr Ikeda had taken the oppor-
tunity of visiting Britain and,
later, Western Europe before
flying back to Tokyo from
Washington.Anglo-Japanese consultations
may shortly be held on arrange-
ments for talks on the Anglo-
Japanese overall payments agree-
ments, due to expire at the end
of this year.

GRAVE POSITION

The Japanese Government is
considering sending a representa-
tive of Cabinet rank to London
for the payments agreement
discussions.No details or date for the
talks have yet been fixed, usu-
ally reliable sources said.The proposed discussions will
include the usual end-of-the-
year review of Japan's reduced
sterling holdings.Japan's sterling reserve has
been so depleted recently that,
according to Japanese estimates,
the total holdings may drop to
as low as £4,000,000 to £5,000,-
000 by next March.Mr Kiyohide Okano, Japanese
Trade Minister, recently sug-
gested sending a special mission
to London to negotiate "for a
relaxation of import restrictions
which are being imposed by the
sterling bloc countries."—Reuter.WHITE HOUSE
CONFERENCE

Washington, Nov. 3.

President Eisenhower con-
ferred for 45 minutes today
with the Secretary of State,
Mr John Foster Dulles, and
the Defence Secretary, Mr
Charles E. Wilson.Neither Mr Dulles nor Mr
Wilson would talk afterward
about the conference which
lasted 15 minutes longer than
arranged.Vice-Admiral Donald B.
Duncan, Vice-Chief of Naval
Operations, attended the con-
ference although he was not
listed on the President's ap-
pointment list.—United Press.Britain's New
Association
With E.D.C.

Brussels, Nov. 3.

Mr Paul Van Zeeland,
Belgian Foreign Minister,
said today a "far-reaching
agreement" of association
between Britain and the
proposed European Defence
Community could be ex-
pected within the coming
weeks.The agreement would
take the form of a treaty
and it would be accom-
panied by a joint declara-
tion of policy between Brit-
ain and the signatory na-
tions to the European
Defence Community.M. Van Zeeland, who was
answering questions from
Opposition members at a
special Parliamentary Com-
mittee on the European
Defence Community, added
that it would be premature
to publish details of the
agreement which was still
under discussion.—Reuter.Flat Denial
Of ChargeRangoon, Nov. 3.
Burma today flatly denied a
Chinese Nationalist allegation
that a Burmese Air Force plane
had bombed the Monghsat head-
quarters of the Chinese
Nationalist guerrilla forces in
Northern Burma.A Government spokesman said
the report was "entirely without
foundation" and the only plane
to fly near Monghsat at the time
of the alleged bombing was on
reconnaissance.It was understood from usually
reliable sources that the Chinese
Nationalist Government on
Formosa protested the
bombing through diplomatic
channels and claimed that the
alleged incident was an at-
tempt to block the agreement
not to bomb Monghsat until
November 15.The agreement was to enable
Nationalist troops to prepare
for evacuation, which is due to
start at the end of this week.—
Reuter.Terrorists Driven
From Hide-outs

Nairobi, Nov. 3.

General Sir George Erskine's Headquarters
said today that about 2,000 Mau Mau have been
driven from the forests of the Aberdare mountain
range in the past three months by concentrated
sweeps by British and African troops and almost
continuous Royal Air Force bombing and strafing.This estimate was given today
at the end of 10 days of in-
tensive operations in which troops
have penetrated deeper into the
Aberdare forests than ever be-
fore.The result of this operation
has been to confirm that there
is a considerable reduction in
the number of Mau Mau now
operating in the Aberdare
forests, the Army communiqué
stated."Compared to the situation
about three months ago, ap-
proximately 2,000 Mau Mau
have left the forest. Those who
remain are finding it increas-
ingly difficult to maintain them-
selves.""Instead of an easy supply
route from the reserves, the
gangs have to come out to obtain
their requirements.""Better assistance with re-
serves has been created and this
accounts for the success achieved
by the police and Kikuyu Home
Guard when the gangs return
to the reserves," the commu-
niqué said.The policy of intensifying
pressure on the gang, not onlyin the Aberdare but elsewhere,
will be continued."

LEADER CAPTURED

Army Headquarters also an-
nounced today that a Mau Mau
leader, Ngugi Wanjiru, was cap-
tured in a combined police and
Kikuyu Home Guard dragnet
thrown round the Muhito
location, in the South Nyeri re-
serve, two days ago.Wanjiru is believed to have
emerged from the forest to
visit friends when he was
caught in a sudden sweep
launched by the police.Security forces killed 75 ter-
rorists and captured 35 during
last week's operations, General
Erskine's Headquarters an-
nounced.Two African members of the
security forces were killed and
one European and two Asians
wounded during the same period.Mau Mau men, who razed an
African school on the slopes of
Mount Kenya last night, "ashed
to death" an African school teacher
and seriously wounded his
wife.—Reuter.CIRLUS BUSCH
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"—and all doubt that it was, in fact, erstwhile purge-chief McCarthy disguised as Mrs. Maclean was finally dispelled when it was noticed there was no snow on his boots!"

Concluding the story of Hans Bartschat and his wife, Christa—how they eluded the Communist East German Police and made their way to freedom. Hans tells today of conditions in the East German Army, of which he was a member. The story was taken down by Antony Terry.

NOSTALGIA —BY NOEL COWARD

By MILTON SHULMAN

EVEN his most undemanding admirers suffered a ripple of anxiety when they learned that Noel Coward was going back to cabaret. What on earth would he do?

He had not been seen in musical comedy since before the war. He surely was not relying on a voice whose nasal fragility was constantly trembling on the brink of parody. And he was over 60!

Other entertainers might wear five decades lightly; on Coward they sat as a shocking reminder of the ingratitude of Time.

The middle-aged would feel that, as the kimono-wearing, absinthe-sipping symbol of their youth, he had let them down by maturing.

The young would indulgently dismiss him as a relic of the days when saxophone-playing was a social asset. Who would go to see him?

Immaculate

LEAST perturbed of all by such misgivings was Coward. Dressed in an alpaca dinner jacket and swaying ever so slightly at the microphone and established himself as the biggest cabaret hit in postwar London.

"A room with a view, and you
And no one to worry us
No one to hurry us..."

He sang only his own songs, delivering them with the benign modesty of a maharajah dispensing opals and pearls. "I know they are precious," he seemed to be saying, "but I have nothing smaller."

It was a triumph of meticulous timing, immaculate projection, and above all, of the overwhelming nostalgia of his melodies. He assaulted the memory with wishful associations we all wanted back.

Reminiscent

EVEN the young Guards officers and debutantes found they knew the songs, and were surprised and delighted to discover that Coward had written them.

"I'll see you again
Whenever spring breaks
through again."

Perhaps it was the realization that his tunes might outlive his plays that stimulated him into assembling 81 of his songs into *The Noel Coward Song Book* (Michael Joseph, 33s.).

They reveal a mind skimming curiously from romance to cynicism, from patriotism to flippancy, from gaiety to despair. Sometimes they evoke candle-lit alcoves and glazy violins; other times they slip up only the images of yesterday's headlines.

Through introductory notes Coward has tried to explain the beginnings and the inspiration of some of his melodic ideas. Since he has had only two music lessons in his life, his remarks tend to be reminiscent rather than technical.

From the age of about seven he could play any tune he had heard on the piano in the pitch dark. In fact he gives the impression of playing well. The sight of two sharps frightens him to death.

Distressed

WATCHING him play, George Gershwin used to moan in genuine distress and try to force his fingers on to the right notes. But Coward defiantly claims he is a better pianist than Irving Berlin, who can only pluck out a tune in C major.

"London Pride has been handed down to us
London Pride is a flower
that's free."

It was while standing on the platform of a London railway station in 1941 after a bad blitz that the idea came to him to put these words to a tune based on a traditional lavender-seller's song. The melody had been used as a foundation for *Deutschland über Alles*.

I "considered the time had come for us to have it back in London where it belonged," he writes.

Mad Dogs and Englishmen was one of the few songs conceived in an appropriate setting. It came to him during a car drive from Hanoi to Siam. "True, the only white people to be seen were French, but one can't have everything," he explains.

F.D.R. was right

CHURCHILL and Roosevelt once argued about whether "in Bangkok at twelve o'clock they foam at the mouth and run" came at the end of the first or second refrain of *Mad Dogs*. Roosevelt, who insisted it came at the end of the second, was right.

"On my knees, Mrs. Worthington,
Please, Mrs. Worthington,
Don't put your daughter on the stage."

This advice, which he claims to be a passionate cry from the heart, Coward now admits has been abjectly ineffective in discouraging stage-struck mothers.

"On the contrary," he sighs, "the song seems to have given them extra impetus, and 99 out of 100 of the letters they write to me refer to it with roguish indulgence, obviously secure in the conviction that it could not apply to them."

THE Noel Coward Song Book spans almost 40 years like a bridge of memories. If the songs are trivial, how important are dreams! Perhaps Coward himself knows best how long they will last when he sings: "This is a changing world, my dear."

New songs are sung, new stars appear.

EAST GERMAN ARMY WOULD EVAPORATE IN ACTION

"ONE day a Colonel, who hated me because of Christa, said coldly, 'I hear that some officers have been making criticisms of the presence of Soviet Advisory Officers in the unit. It appears necessary for them to study more closely the principles of German-Soviet friendship if they wish to avoid more serious trouble.'

"I took the hint. From then on I was twice as careful what I said. The Soviet advisers are chosen for their 'toughness.' They wear East German army uniform and have the rank of Colonel. They are known as 'Sovietniks.' They hardly ever speak German and work through interpreters who are German 'People's Police' officers.

Illiterate

"They had accepted the original reason I had given for the mass Party call-up—alleged threats by the 'Western imperialists,' etc. Now it was too much of an about-turn for them, to change round once more. I gave it up."

Their Job

"Their job is to supervise the work of the minor snipers, informers and indoctrinators like myself. They have almost power over life and death, certainly over liberty. 'Improve your work or I'll have you arrested,' is their normal threat, passed on through the interpreter. And they mean it."

"Once a month I used to go down to the Sovietnik with my secret reports on each man in the unit, my time tables for political lectures, files, propaganda plans and a report on my month's work."

"No order can be issued in the unit without the Sovietnik having approved it. He is undisputed master of every East German soldier. So much for the vaunted 'independence' of the 'People's Police' army which the Communists proclaim in their propaganda. "The criticisms by the Sovietnik are often almost impossible to understand except in the light of a warped Communist ideology. Once I was attacked by a Sovietnik for having asked both the representatives of the Communist 'Free German Youth' in the unit and the Communist Party members to a joint discussion on propaganda methods."

Spy System

"The spy system in the East German army is controlled from the Secret Police H.Q. in Berlin. But the 'Polit Section' of the army division is the headquarters of the local authority. This is where I got my orders from. "They were passed down from the HQ propaganda and snooping centre which was controlled by a Lt-Colonel and included a staff of 10, all picked fanatical Party men. "Four are 'propagandists,' that is to say, lecturers whose task is to put over the official Party line to the men. "The rest have jobs which sound like gibberish to the outsider, but they wield considerable power—the 'Senior Instructor for Party Matters,' the 'Chairman of the Party Control Commission,' the local head of the Communist 'Free German Youth,' the 'Instructor for Cultural Mass Work,' and the 'Club Leader' who is Master of Ceremonies for Party meetings."

Dangerous

"I was told this was the dangerous crime of Titoism or, in other words, a 'popular front,' which is now officially anathema to Communists. "What I should have done was to invite them separately and give them exactly the same instruction in Communist propaganda—but at different meetings. It seemed to me that this was a complete waste of time, but by this time I knew better than to argue with a Sovietnik. "Snooping and spying was only one part of my work as a Polit Kommissar. I also gave lectures to the officers, NCO's and men on Communism, and tried to explain by mental somersaults the rapid changes in Soviet policy."

Right, Wrong

"Sometimes it was frankly impossible. When the plan to train 1,200,000 Party members in the East German army this summer was dropped and was followed by the decision to reduce its strength from 120,000 to 80,000 to fit in with Moscow's 'New Look' policy towards the West, I was not allowed to give any reasons for the change. "So I used what was known as the dialectical method. I told the men that 'what is right today may be wrong tomorrow' and they just had to accept it. "The new recruits, who mostly came straight from the ranks of the unquestioning Communist youth movement—the 'conscious functionaries'—were satisfied. Over half the others were frankly sceptical. "Obviously on one will reach for poison. So, according to Red teaching, the 'wise German' rejects this bottle—and refuses to hear the Western point of view. "The other is marked 'Beer.' This is the Communist radio and press. This is good, and may be taken in any quantity. "Compassionism is another of the Communist evils. It is of course bad to be compassionate. Why? Because it represents the right of every country to be free to do as it likes. "The great informer network which I had been trained to use began to turn its spying tentacles in on me. One November last year I was transferred from my relatively pleasant and respectable job in the special signals unit to an ordinary battalion. "Life here was hard, even as a Polit Kommissar. I found the other officers brutal men who loathed me, and Christa even more because she was a 'class enemy.' "The illiterate commander of the regiment to which I was attached was Captain Dieter Michel. We quarrelled at once. I knew I was on the way out, and I decided to defy the Communist machine. "Whatover this future may bring, and we do not expect life to be easy in the free world at first, we shall never regret our escape by taxi cab through the Iron Curtain. "But while freedom is at hand, a threat of danger still hangs over the Bartschats. Living in West Berlin they have to be careful not to enter the Soviet half of the city by mistake, or to travel on the suburban railways. Even in the British, U.S. and French sectors they are under the control of the East German Communist railway administration. "Communist railway police have several times kidnapped refugees from East Germany on the trains. They have vanished never to return. "One false step back across the Iron Curtain which divides the city would mean death before a firing squad for Hans, and at least 25 years in a Communist gulag for Christa."

Vast Machine

"The 'Instructor in Party Documents' is the local Party secretary, who collects Party dues and does the administration. "All this vast propaganda machine is designed with but one purpose—to keep the East German army through and through with Communism, and to see that no dangerous ideas from the free world ever penetrate inside its narrow fanatical walls. "We were taught every twist of Communist arguments, every slick phrase and illogical back-chew. Words were given special meanings they never had anywhere else. "Objectivism," for instance. This is crime in Communist countries. But while 'Objectivism' is wicked, to be objective is good. "It's all a matter of words. To listen to the BBC is objectivism. But to read the Communist attacks on the West is being objective."

Not Suited

"But, say the Communists, this would mean that if every country was free it would fall under the power of America, which encourages freedom for its 'evil' purposes. So you must not be a compassianist in Soviet countries, and you must not be free. "In the middle of all this nonsense I began to see that I was not really suited for the job I was doing. And also I wanted to get married. I refused to give up Christa for the Party, and I refused to stop seeing her. I was going to be made to suffer for my obstinacy. "The great informer network which I had been trained to use began to turn its spying tentacles in on me. One November last year I was transferred from my relatively pleasant and respectable job in the special signals unit to an ordinary battalion. "Life here was hard, even as a Polit Kommissar. I found the other officers brutal men who loathed me, and Christa even more because she was a 'class enemy.' "The illiterate commander of the regiment to which I was attached was Captain Dieter Michel. We quarrelled at once. I knew I was on the way out, and I decided to defy the Communist machine. "Whatover this future may bring, and we do not expect life to be easy in the free world at first, we shall never regret our escape by taxi cab through the Iron Curtain. "But while freedom is at hand, a threat of danger still hangs over the Bartschats. Living in West Berlin they have to be careful not to enter the Soviet half of the city by mistake, or to travel on the suburban railways. Even in the British, U.S. and French sectors they are under the control of the East German Communist railway administration. "Communist railway police have several times kidnapped refugees from East Germany on the trains. They have vanished never to return. "One false step back across the Iron Curtain which divides the city would mean death before a firing squad for Hans, and at least 25 years in a Communist gulag for Christa."

Marriage

"Christa and I got married secretly in December 1952. A few months later I was transferred to a barracks holding 1,500 troops near the new 'Socialist city' of Karl Marx Stadt, formerly the textile town of Chemnitz. "Then in June I was moved again. This time it was to Potsdam—and I was more grateful than they knew for the change. For it brought Christa and me to within 25 miles of Berlin—and freedom. "My job in Potsdam was to provide reading rooms with Communist books, film shows, with Red propaganda movies—everything for entertainment, from Red magazines to chess. Chess is encouraged in East Germany because it is played in Russia. "This job was obviously the lowest form of employment for an ambitious Polit Kommissar. Fortunately I was not one. My official title was typically Communist and completely meaningless: 'Collaborator for Cultural Mass Work.' "My superior was Colonel Elchener. He was a fanatical Communist, like all the other Polit officers. I soon got on the wrong side of him. Then came the East German riots on June 17. The East German army units in Potsdam were rushed to East Berlin to guard the Communist government leaders from the furious crowds, who would have hanged them there and then but for the tommyguns of the 'People's Army.' "It was then that we made our final plans to escape. The events in East Germany on June 17 had made up my mind—this was a rotten, fanatical system, and the mass of the Soviet zone's 17 million people were against it. I could stay no longer. "When the June riots occurred I found that not even the majority of officers of the East German army really support the regime. Before then, not more than a quarter ever dared to indicate that they disagreed with anything the Communists did."

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Revenge

Only a few times during the past eight years have the Reds dared to kidnap their enemies in West Berlin. In most cases their revenge was made easy by carelessness and the thrill of re-crossing in Berlin the forbidden line which ends in tragedy instead of an air passage to freedom. "But not even the efficient secret police system set up by the Communists in East Germany can cope with the flood of escapees. They are forced to accept the fact that the innermost secrets of their system are now known to most Germans in the West. "The true life stories of men like Hans Bartschat and his wife Christa have smashed the power of the Communists in West Germany and helped to prevent a single Communist deputy being elected to Bonn parliament in the recent elections. "A silver British airliner will take off from Tempelhof airfield one day next week. On board, their fare paid by the West German Government, will be Hans and Christa Bartschat—two young people in love who are looking forward to a future 800 miles from the shadow of the spy and the informer which so nearly ruined their lives."

THE DUFFLE TWINS

by DODD



BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

PROGRESSIVE thinkers are becoming convinced that the only way to deal with the Litter Scourge is to increase the number of arrests.

One way to do this, as experience has taught in to employ agents promoters. Another way would be to encourage children to inform on their parents. Please, Mr. Mayor, throw his bin-ticket down in a busy thoroughfare. It's a little more on behalf of the Spatchworth Anti-Litter League I hand you the 25¢ reward, and also the Litter Medal.

A bouquet of litter

THIS year I was walking along a street in a small Italian town when a car approached from behind. It did not slow down, but a hand came out of a window and a

DUMB BELLS



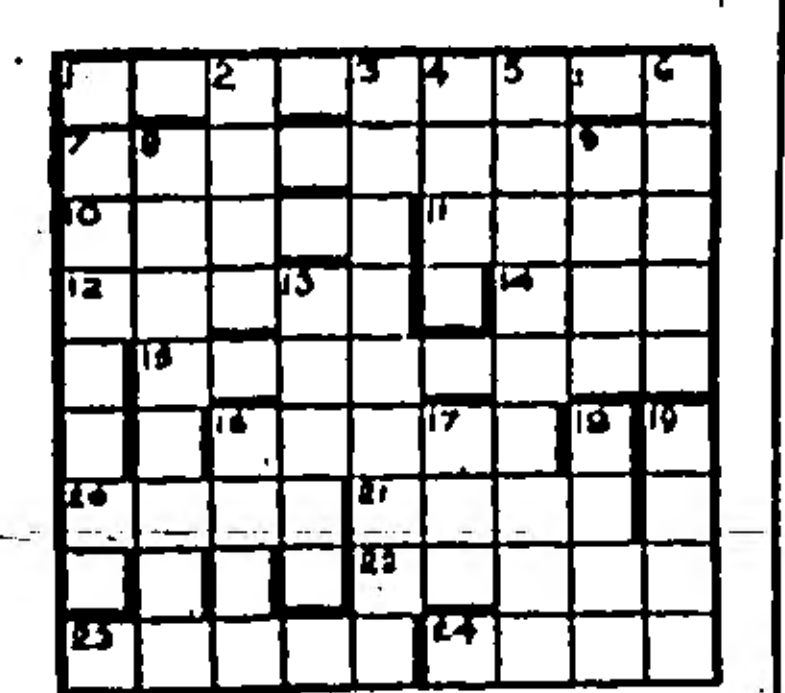
YOUR BIRTHDAY

By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

BORN today, you must learn to control your moods if you are to cope with life adequately. There are times when you are on top of the world and can try anything. At other times, you are depressed and wonder if there's any use bothering. At all, fortunately, the alarm has given you a strong sense of humour and if you will learn to use it, you can overcome your mercurial nature

CROSSWORD



Across
1. A short note marks the death of a king (4)
2. Peace, usually (4)
3. Wear out (4)
4. Cobble of Arabian desert (4)
5. Half way (3)
6. There are not always equal (4)
7. He is in the ship (4)
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9. In the air (4)
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Down
1. State journey of the Middle Ages (4)
2. For the night (4)
3. Not where no kindness (4)
4. Word meaning (4)
5. Singular sense, plural charge on a house (4)
6. A friendly spirit (4)
7. He is not a little (4)
8. Sometimes white, but often pink (4)
9. A solid gold ring (4)
10. With the Navy, what a laugh (4)
11. A me to 4 Down and get angry (4)
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SOLUTION TO CHECK YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

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There are a number of annoying traps on the course - would you mind keeping yours closed?

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Odd Plays Happen To Great Players

NORTH (D) 7			
▲K732	▲KQJ109		
▲K75	▲Q63		
▲Q4	▲J105		
▲A2	▲8		
WEST			
▲1092	▲KQJ109		
▲AK9872	▲J105		
▲1074	▲8		
SOUTH			
▲65	▲KQJ109		
▲J4	▲Q63		
▲Q3	▲J105		
▲KQ653	▲8		
East-West vul.			
North	East	South	West
1▲	Pass	2▲	Pass
3▲	Pass	3NT	Pass
4▲	Pass		
Opening lead—♦8			

By OSWALD JACOBY

WHEN you watch a national championship, you usually see very good bridge on all sides. Occasionally, however, you may see some bids or plays that remind you of your Aunt Tilly.

The hand shown today is not quite in this class, but I think it's rather amusing when two first class teams reach an "unmakeable" contract of three no-trump and then proceed to make it.

When this hand was played in the semifinal round of last year's National Team Championship, both teams reached three no-trump. In one room, as shown in the diagram, South decided to take a chance on the diamonds when the bidding indicated that his partner had a spade suit and the ace of clubs.

He knew that there would be six club tricks as a nucleus, and hoped that North had a diamond stopper, or that the opponents in any case would not be able to take more than four diamond tricks even if they did lead the suit.

This declarer felt pretty miserable for a moment or so when West led the eight of diamonds and the dummy appeared. It looked as though the enemy would be able to take at least five diamond tricks. Nevertheless, he hopefully played dummy's queen of diamonds and heaved a sigh of relief when this held the trick.

Declarer took no further risks with this hand. He ran his six clubs, the two hearts, and the ace of spades, making a total of ten tricks.

In the other room North's second bid was two no-trump rather than three clubs. South trumped, thus duplicating the top-sound contract reached in the first room.

At this table the opening lead was the king of spades from the East hand. Declarer heaved a sigh of relief at not having received a diamond opening, and quickly took a spade, two hearts, and six clubs to fulfill his game contract.

The defenders in both rooms smashed their teeth wildly when they discovered that they could have taken the first six diamond tricks if they had only known what to do.

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Knarf handed Mr. Merlin the top. Mr. Merlin took it and threw it up in the air. It vanished with a little "pop."

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"Why, he makes a very pretty top," said Hand in delight. "Are you going to spin him, Mr. Merlin?"

"Certainly," said Mr. Merlin, as he took a long string out of his pocket.

Knarf saw all this happening, but couldn't do anything about it. He felt all round and solid and stuck together with his feet close together and his elbows stuck out and his head pulled down into his shoulders. Then what a wonderful magician you are, Mr. Merlin! Knarf is spinning just like a top!

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Let's Eat
BY
IDA BAILEY ALLEN

RECIPES FOR BUSY HOUSEWIVES

A REALLY busy woman manages to organize her time to get everything necessary done. It was while Mrs. Oswald B. Lord was at the conference in Geneva, Switzerland, as a representative to UN Commission for Human Rights, that I wrote to invite her to be a guest homemaker in our column, and to send us one of her favourite family menus together with the recipes.

As a homemaker and mother, Mrs. Lord considered this important, and immediately on her return she sent the menu, adding: "This is the type of dinner that I, as a busy housewife, can put together myself."

The menu is typical of Mrs. Lord—smart, balanced, up-to-the-minute, and will not too many calories. The Mrs. Lord mentioned, the Chef explains, is a type of choice conserve made in France from red currants.

Quick and Easy Dinner

Songalese Soup
Broiled Chicken
Tossed Green Salad
French Pears Bar-le-Duc
After-Dinner Coffee
All Measurements Are Level
Recipes Serve Four

Songalese Soup

To contents 2 tins condensed cream of chicken soup, add 1 tin-measure of water, and 1/2 cup curry powder, according to taste, blended with 1 tsp. cold milk. Heat and serve either hot or chilled. It is necessary to heat the soup even when served cold, in order to develop and blend in the curry taste.

Fresh Pears Bar-le-Duc

Allow 1 split and cored peeled fresh pear for each person. To make a Bar-le-Duc sauce to serve 4 to 6, blend a 1/2 cup of cream cheese with 3 tsp. heavy cream, and chill. Just before serving, fold in 1/3 cup Bar-le-Duc conserve and pour over the pears. Raspberry or homemade currant jam may be used in place of Bar-le-Duc.

Mrs. Ralph J. Bunche, wife of Dr. Bunche, Director United Nations Department of Trusteeship and Nobel Prize winner, sends with her interesting menu for an informal buffet, a new chafing dish recipe, that is

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Mr. Merlin Does A Good Trick

—He Turns Knarf into a Top; Hand, into a Ball—

By MAX TRELL

Knarf and Hand, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, were on a side-walk in front of the house Knarf was spinning a top while Hand was playing jacks.

Knarf was just saying: "I wonder how it feels to spin like a top," and Hand was saying: "And I wonder how it feels to be a ball or one of these little jacks—" at that moment, they heard a voice and turned to see Mr. Merlin the Magician looking at them gravely. "I just heard what you two children said," he remarked.

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Fit to grace a Royal head is this velvet cocktail hat, created by Madge Ohard and worn by Carol Anderson.

The "Empress" hat flaunts a black brush osprey mount in the centre of the crown and diamante sparkles among the white gurgulee lace trimming.

Clock Is Valuable Aid In Teaching Self-Reliance

By G. C. MYERS, Ph.D.

A MOTHER of two children, aged seven and eight, said to me recently:

"This morning we used the clock to measure each activity of the children's, and were able to see them dress, eat breakfast, practise their piano lessons and leave for school without one cross word. This was a record, and so easy and simple that I can't understand why I didn't try it before this."

Widely used, a clock can be of great help to the child and his parents. Of course, some families could do away with scenes before

school by rising fifteen or twenty minutes earlier in the morning.

As soon as a child can tell time, he can grow more self-reliant with a clock, and ready to conform to desirable routines without undue resistance. Even the lot of three or four is ready to go to bed if he learns that the clock "says" it is time for bed, then if his mother or father says it is. And by observing the clock himself, it becomes easier

for him to go for the afternoon nap. Some mothers find it better to have an alarm ring at bedtime or when the child must come in from outside.

No Doubts

The ringing clock may help a child two, four or seven, learn to stay in bed in the morning, and sleep to a regular hour. This is very different from telling him to stay there until he is called. He knows the latter time will vary, while the clock can leave no doubts.

I would like to emphasize the use of the clock in administering the chair-sitting punishment, although it's difficult for some parents to see the need of this. Often a parent will say to a youngster, "Go to bed, stay there till I tell you to get down." When the parent tells the child he may get down will depend on how the child responds and how this parent feels. If she's angry or vexed or has a headache, she may make the time longer than if she felt comfortable. On the other hand, if the youngster howls and wails violently enough, she may soon say, "Oh, get down!" in self-defence. Or the youngster may plead and promise so effectively as to hasten the penalty's end.

Promptness At Dinner

But if he is assigned to the chair, and told he may get down when the clock rings or when "this hand gets there" (pointing to the place on the clock face), he has no inducement to plead, promise or cry, and soon may accept this punishment as inevitable. The clock doesn't wobble. It never gets nervous or has a headache; its hands and pleadings make no difference to it.

If a child from five to ten years of age, rooms over the neighborhood and must be corralled for dinner, he could be trained to appear for meals at a definite time if he carried a watch or were required to check on the clock at the nearest home of a playmate.

Words Of The Wise

A calm, clear mind, not subject to the spasms and crises which are so often met with in creative or intensely perceptive natures, is the best basis for love or friendship.

—(Anon.)

After marriage arrives a reaction, sometimes a big, sometimes a little one, but it comes sooner or later, and must be lived with by both parties if they desire the rest of their lives to go with the current.

—(Rudyard Kipling)

Rupert's Coral Island—2



All at once Rupert started by a cheerful shout. "Hi, look here, why are you looking at me and not my old shipmate, the Bo'sun?" "It's a sailor, Sam!" cried Rupert, running over the grass. "I was thoughtful because my mummy's going to take me to sea!"

the sea and I can't decide whether to go to Rocky Bay or Sandy Bay. "Those are good places," declares the Bo'sun. "They are where two of my old shipmates, Cap'n Bannister and Cap'n Bannister, were. But if you'll take my advice you'll go to neither of them!"

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RAY BARNES GOES DOWN LIKE A LOG AFTER A POMPEE PUMPELLING

London, Nov. 3. The young Trinidad middleweight, Yolande Pompee, today enhanced his chances of succeeding Randolph Turpin, the British Empire and European title holder, as Britain's best bet to regain the world title from Carl "Bobo" Olson when he knocked out the American, Ray Barnes, in the fourth round of their scheduled 10-round contest at the Harringay Arena.

The non-stop Trinidadian gave the American no chance and Barnes was in trouble from the first bell. Pompee, who has been likened to a rubber ball, unleashed his usual spectacular whirlwind attack and Barnes, despite his record of 37 wins out of 41 fights, went down like a log in the fourth round to the terrific pummelling of Pompee.

Pompee is expected to be matched with Randolph Turpin next year for the British title and the winner may go to New York to fight Olson for the world title.

Pompee, who is the West Indies Cruiserweight Champion, came to Britain two years ago with an undefeated record, both in the professional and amateur rings. One of his victims was

the late Dave Sands, Australian holder of the Empire middleweight crown.

Pompee has now had 14 contests in Britain with his record still unblemished.

Barnes, who has just completed his American Army training, though putting up a skilful defence, had no answer to Pompee's stalling and non-stop attack. When the end came,

Pompee had a large points lead and Barnes was in trouble.

McCarthy LOSES Harringay Arena, London, Nov. 3.

Ray Farnochon of France, the former European Featherweight Champion, beat Sammy McCarthy of London on points in an entertaining ten rounds international contest here tonight.

The dapper Frenchman, an experienced campaigner, carried too many guns for the young Englishman, who is lighting his way up the title ladder.

A capacity crowd of 10,000 gave the little men a great hand for their excellent sporting display.

Farnochon, grim and determined, contrasted strongly with the smiling London boy, who battled throughout as if enjoying every minute of it. Farnochon won cleverly but McCarthy put up a splendid display and was by no means disgraced in losing to the French "master".

McCarthy did extremely well in the fighting, but at long range, the Frenchman was apt to score more often with his lightning lefts and short right hooks.

There were no knockdowns and both boxers finished full of fight, though the London boy's nose showed signs of wear and tear.

King UNBEATEN Jimmy King, the coloured American, who has been campaigning in Europe, retained his unbeaten record on the Continent by outpointing Johnny Sullivan of Preston, Lancashire, in an eight-round contest.

The American was a shade too strong for the plucky North countryman and won comfortably in an entertaining bout which was loudly applauded by the capacity crowd.

King owed much of his success to a devastating left which notched him many points, particularly in the early rounds. He appeared to have the Englishman at his mercy in the fifth round when he belted him round the ring, but Sullivan fought back bravely and shared the honours in the final round.

There are two who have been here before: R. W. H. Scott was full-back for the Kiwis in 1946. R. C. Stuart was in Britain with the Royal Navy in the war.

Two hold records. Scott has scored more than 600 points in first-class football, unsurpassed by any New Zealand player ever.

R. A. Jarden, the wing, scored 38 points in one match in New South Wales (six tries, 10 conversions) which broke the record held by the great W. J. Wallace, who was here in 1905.

RAPID RISE R. C. Hemi, one of the two hookers, has risen in six weeks from junior to All Blacks football at the age of 20.

Kevin Skinner, a past captain of New Zealand, is an ex-heavyweight boxer, golfer, and yachtsman.

Five men, Jarden, J. M. Tanner, L. S. Hale, R. A. White and Skinner, played in Tests against the British Isles touring team two years ago.

And in the party are seven farmers.

(London Express Service)

Cycling Record Approved

London, Nov. 3. The International Cycling Union today announced that it had officially recognised as a world record the one kilometre standing start time of one minute 58 seconds made by Rex Harris (British) in Milan on October 26, last year.

The previous world record, which was also held by Harris, was one minute 58 seconds.

Reuter.

Floodlit Soccer

London, Nov. 3. Bristol City beat East Fife by four goals to three in a friendly football match played under floodlight tonight.

China Mail Special.



(Edited by Marshall Fallows)

Let a Welshman, international Ray Paul, Manchester City's skipper and half-back, tell you what's wrong with England soccer.

"The team looks good on paper, but is too gentlemanly on the field—I don't believe in that," says Paul.

Like Trevor Ford (Sunderland and Wales), Paul rates the England line-up against Wales at Cardiff on October 10 as the worst he has ever seen.

He is convinced that a Great Britain eleven (picked from England, Scotland, Wales, and Ireland) should oppose Continental countries.

"What a side you could pick," sighs Roy. "There's John Charles for one... really the best centre-forward I've seen. If he were in a First Division side he'd be tremendous."

Les Medley, former England and Spurs outside-left, who emigrated to Canada in May, has scored 20 goals for United (League runners-up) in the season just ending.

Medley finds Canadian Soccer much tougher than the English brand.

England selectors should note that Bristol Rovers' manager, Bert Tann, thinks Geoff Bradford his goal-scoring forward, has reached physical maturity.

"In the last six months he has been much stronger in his play and now lasts the whole 90 minutes at full stretch," says Tann.

NO COMPLAINTS

Although the FA have selected him twice this season as an inside-left, Bradford does not complain because his club play him at centre-forward.

"It's O. K. by me, if that's where they need me most," he says.

Big day in the life of 22-year-old Dave Ewing, Manchester City's centre-half, is Saturday November 14. On that day he marries Miss Sylvia Nickless of Manchester, a staunch City supporter.

It was through Soccer that they met, so his bride won't mind when Dave dashes off after the reception to play in City's home match against Newcastle.

Guernsey's Ted Zabiela, the man who recommended Len Duquemin to Spurs, has given up the White Hart Hotel, named after the Tottenham ground, at St Peter Port. He calls his new home The Lilywhite.

When Torquay decided to find a mascot, one of the directors suggested a black and white goat. The idea was scrapped because of the difficulty of taking it to away matches.

So Hadyr Morgan, son of a much-travelled supporter, got the job. Now every time player-manager Eric Webber, a six-footer, trots on to the field, he is accompanied by a figure half his size.

"He's doing fine," says Eric. "We've taken six out of a possible eight points (including three away games) since Hadyr took over."

LATEST TWIST

Latest twist in the "Poor Old Chelsea" saga is provided by the Football and Fine Arts Exhibition (at Park Lane House, London) which forms part of the FA's 80th birthday celebration.

In the exhibition is a large painting of a busy street scene outside Stamford Bridge on a match day.

And standing right outside the ground entrance is a man with a placard bearing the words: Repent—there is still time.

Who leaves Sunderland—England international Len Shackleton or Welsh international Trevor Ford?... you can place your bets on Shackleton.

If Ford goes, his pal Ray Daniel may get restless. Manager Bill Murray can't afford to lose two key men.

Watch the Sunderland team. You seldom see centre-forward Ford and inside - forward Shackleton in it together.

(London Express Service)

SCOTS MAY WIN A TRIP TO THE WORLD CUP FINALS BY BEATING WELSH TODAY

By DENNIS HART

At Hampden Park this afternoon, Scotland can become the first British side to qualify for next year's World Cup competition. They meet Wales, and victory would give them four points out of a maximum six in the Home International Tournament. With two of the four Home countries making the Swiss trip, four points should be enough for Scotland to gain at least second place.

On Scotland's showing against Ireland, however, this is to say the least, a matter of extreme doubt. They then won 3-1, but even the most fervent of their fans admit that the victory was daylight robbery.

The selectors apparently think so, too. They have dropped the complete forward line. And this is difficult to understand for it was the defence, rather than the attack, which failed.

STRONGER ATTACK

With the exception of new cap outside-right McKenzie, the new line comprises established internationals, and appears stronger.

The recall of Lawrie Reilly at centre-forward was to be expected. He was only omitted

earlier because he had not registered for his club.

Allan Brown's return at inside-left was also taken for granted. This undoubted of players would have been an automatic choice but for injuries. Breaking his leg has twice cost him international caps and Cup Final medals.

His wing partner is that old Scottish favourite, Billy Liddell of Liverpool. Billy, too, would have been a regular for his country, but for the selectors'

HKFA GRANTS \$10,000 TO NAVY FOR A CONCRETE STAND AT CAUSEWAY BAY

The Navy asked the Hongkong Football Association for a grant of \$10,000 last night. They propose to erect a concrete stand holding 1,000 people on their Causeway Bay ground which is expected to amount to this figure.

Mr J. A. Kearney, representing the Navy team, said that contrary to general opinion the Navy was not in a sound financial position. The position was that the Admiralty supplies the ground. But anything built on that ground must be drawn from local funds.

Mr J. Skinner (Chairman) said: "It has not been the policy of the Association to make an outright grant in cases of this sort, but loans have been given against a share of the pool due to the Club at the end of the season."

Mr L. J. Channing suggested that the grant should be made. He commented on the support the Navy had always given the Association.

It was eventually decided to grant the \$10,000 but to review the financial position at the end of the season.

It was announced that South China Stadium will be officially opened on November 12. The ground, which will hold 18,000, has been officially opened and the ground will be used for a 30-minute game between South China and the Army will herald the opening of the new stadium.

INTERNATIONAL CUP

Plans were discussed for the International Cup Competition to be played during Christmas. The game will be between Great Britain and China.

The Government are still anxious that the Association

run the new Colony Sports Stadium for an experimental period of two years. Conditions are to be submitted to the Association in due course.

A Committee to draw up terms and conditions for teams going on tour was elected as follows:—Capt. George, Mr K. Y. Yung and Mr L. J. Channing.

The Association have tried to find the right blend of youth and experience in their selected Rest side to play the Combined Services on November 9.

The team will be: Chung Koon-hing (Kitchener), Hau Yung-sang (Sing Tao), Lau Yee (S. China), Wakened (Hong Kong), Lee (China), Capt. Falconer (Club), Chu Wing-wah (S. China), Moss (Police), Lau Kiu-choi (Kwong Wah), Ho Cheung-yau (Sing Tao), Mok Chun-wah (S. China).

Reserves: Wat Fat-kim (KMB), Lai Yee (Police), Sze Yiu (KMB), Sit Yee-yin (Sing Tao), Lee Hung-kee (Eastern), Leung Lam (CAA).

Team manager: Chief Insp. Dewar.

CHALLENGE SHIELD

The draw for the first round of the Challenge Shield is as follows:

CAA v S. China; RAF v KMB; St Joseph's v Kwong Wah; Sing Tao v Club; Army v Police.

Byes: Kitchener, Navy and Eastern Juniors; Navy v Redifusion; S. China v Tai-kee; Cable and Wireless v Gymnasium; Tamar v Police; Army v CAA; Western v Jardine; Eastern v CMB; CAA v HOME; Tramways v Solicitors; Kwong Wah v RAF; RFL v St Joseph's; Club v Prison; Kowloon v Little Sai Wan.

Byes: CAA; Yard Police.

Full House Likely At Carruthers-Gault World Title Fight

Sydney, Australia, Nov. 3. Ticket sales for the Jimmy Carruthers-Billy "Pappy" Gault world title bantam fight on November 13 skyrocketed as soon as the American challenger arrived here.

"A complete sellout well before the fight date is indicated," said Police Inspector Lesley E. Buckley, spokesman for the promoters, The Federation of Police Boys' Clubs.

"There are 37,500 seats at the Sydney Sports open air arena and if they are all sold the gate will be £84,500, Buckley added.

Carruthers, as defending Champion, will get a maximum of £25,000 after paying expenses from 40 percent of the gate. The promoter's cut is 51 percent of the gross gate. Gault's purse of £23,500 and his expenses will be paid from Carruthers' 40 percent of the gross take.

Buckley said: "Before Gault arrived on October 17 we had sold £17,000 worth of tickets. But since then there has been a rush of more than £1,000 a day."

"The fight will be an all-ticket affair. But the present sale of tickets makes us confident there will be no tickets left a week before the fight date. People have just been waiting for the challenger to get here," he said.

8-OUNCE GLOVES

Contrary to overseas practice, eight-ounce gloves will be used in the Carruthers-Gault world fight at Sydney's Sports Ground.

Six-ounce gloves were used in Sydney until 1949, when lightweight contender Archie Kemp died following a contest with Champion Jack Hassen. As a result there was a switch to eight-ounce gloves at the request of the State Government.

In America eight-ounce gloves are used in ordinary contests, but for championships up to and including middleweight five-ounce gloves are used. For light-heavyweight and heavyweight title bouts the gloves are six ounces.

Gault says he doesn't care what size gloves are used. "It is the hands inside the gloves that count, and so long as both boys have the same size gloves it doesn't matter."

PLAYING SAFE

Meanwhile, Carruthers can't drive a car until after his title defence against Gault.

A clause in the fight contract prohibits Carruthers getting behind the wheel of his big new sedan. It was put there at the request of Billy McConnell, his trainer. McConnell wasn't casing any reflections on Jimmy's driving. He was just playing safe.

Guarding World Champion Carruthers' training camp at Karung, near Sydney, is one of the biggest dogs in Australia.

The dog is a Great Dane called John, and weighs nearly 200 pounds. John can easily stretch to the top of a six foot fence with his paws. A friend of trainer Billy McConnell loaned Carruthers the dog.

McConnell said: "John watches the camp at night. One glance from him and prowling will run to their lives. When Jimmy first saw him, he trembled with shock. Now John is shaking the champ's hand."—United Press.

THE TEAMS

Wales: Howells (Cardiff City); Barnes (Arsenal); Sherwood (Cardiff); Paul (Manchester City); Daniel (Sunderland); Burgess (Tottenham); Foulkes (Newcastle); Charles (Leeds); Ford (Sunderland); Allchurch (Swansea); Clarke (Manchester City). Reserve: Davies (Newcastle).

Scotland: Faim (Blackpool); Young (Rangers); Cox (Rangers); Evans (Celtic); Telfer (St Mirren); Cowie (Dundee); Mackenzie (Partick); Johnston (Hibs); Reilly (Hibs); Brown (Blackpool); Liddell (Liverpool).

(London Express Service)

Indian Girls Lose To Somerset

Weston-Super-Mare, Nov. 3. A Somerset women's hockey team beat the Indian touring women's side by six goals to four here today.

The home side scored twice soon after the start, and when they led 5-1 at half time they appeared set for a comfortable win. But the Indian girls staged a fighting second-half rally, and the County had to produce top form to win.

China Mail Special.

There Will Be No Cliques In The All Blacks

By HYLTON CLEAVER

London. Some of the New Zealand rugby touring team training at Eastbourne are sharing rooms. As the team go from place to place, nobody will share a room with the same man again.

This is one of the shrewd instructions issued by Mr Norman Millard, the team's manager. Why?

Because the All Blacks came to England by air, they lost the opportunities presented by sea travel, to get to know one another on the voyage. They arrived in London still a scratch team who had to play together and partner one another without yet being friends. There must be no cliques. All must mix.

The side still have to sort themselves out into the best possible combination and there is not much time to do this before the match against London Counties at Twickenham on Saturday, November 7.

Still they are having ten days' training on the Eastbourne

COMPLETE COMMAND

College ground which is more than can be enjoyed by any of the teams they will meet.

What impressed me at Eastbourne was that all the older men were taking so seriously to the youngsters, and that spectators Mr A. E. Marlin (three times reserve for the New Zealand pack without ever getting a cap) was in complete command.

I have never seen an England side, even in Dublin before an international, train with the concentration of these New Zealanders.

Our men are content to take casual drop-kicks at goal, pass the ball while on the run, or scrum-dance. But these All Blacks rehearse in detail every kind of situation which can arise.

LINE HAD TO BE DRAWN

Copenhagen, Nov. 3. The Danish Government public auditors decided to draw the line at paying an instructor to teach golf inmates miniature golf.

They found on going through the prison accounts that a senior warden at one of the largest state prisons received fees last year for such instruction.—China Mail Special.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwritten on or before the 10th November, 1953, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
CIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES
Hongkong, 2nd November, 1953.

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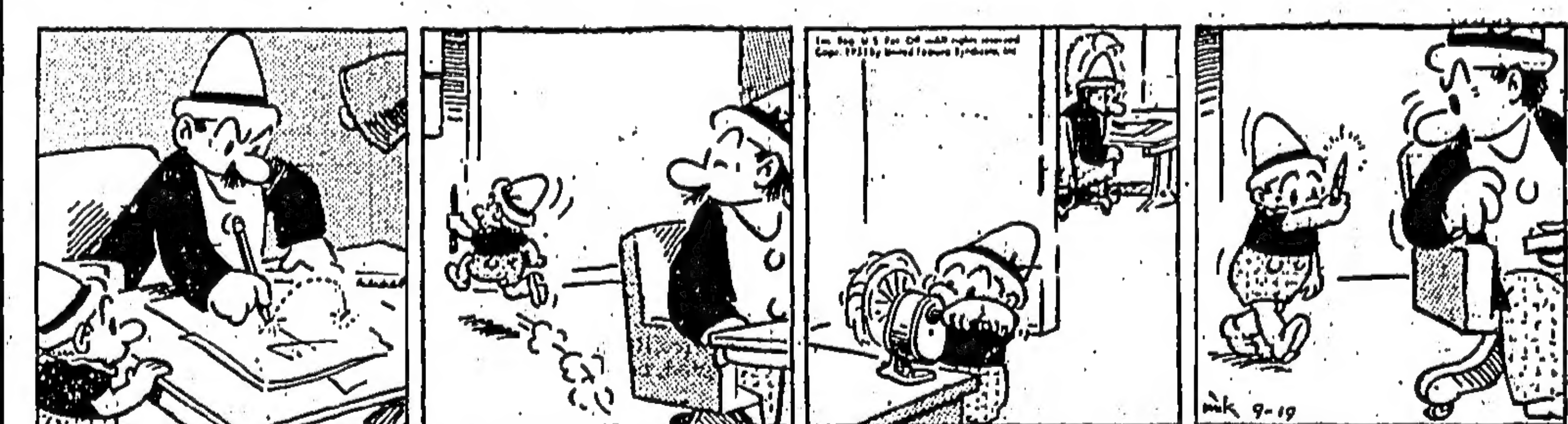
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PEARLING DISPUTE DRAGS ON

Sydney, Nov. 3.
The Daily Telegraph said today that Australian officials believe Japan will be lucky if she can get the International Court to hear the pearling dispute, between Japan and Australia, within two years.

The paper's Canberra correspondent quoted Australian officials as pointing out two major factors which would hold up the case:

Firstly, a period of at least six months would be needed for Japanese legal experts to draft their submissions, and secondly a long waiting list of disputes is already before the court.

The officials considered this delay would force Japan to obey Australia's pearl fishing laws at least until the end of 1955, the correspondent said.

He added that lawyers would begin drafting Australia's case for the court late this month.

The correspondent wrote: "Officials said the Australian and Japanese Governments would have to exchange a number of diplomatic notes before legal experts in both countries could begin drafting their cases."

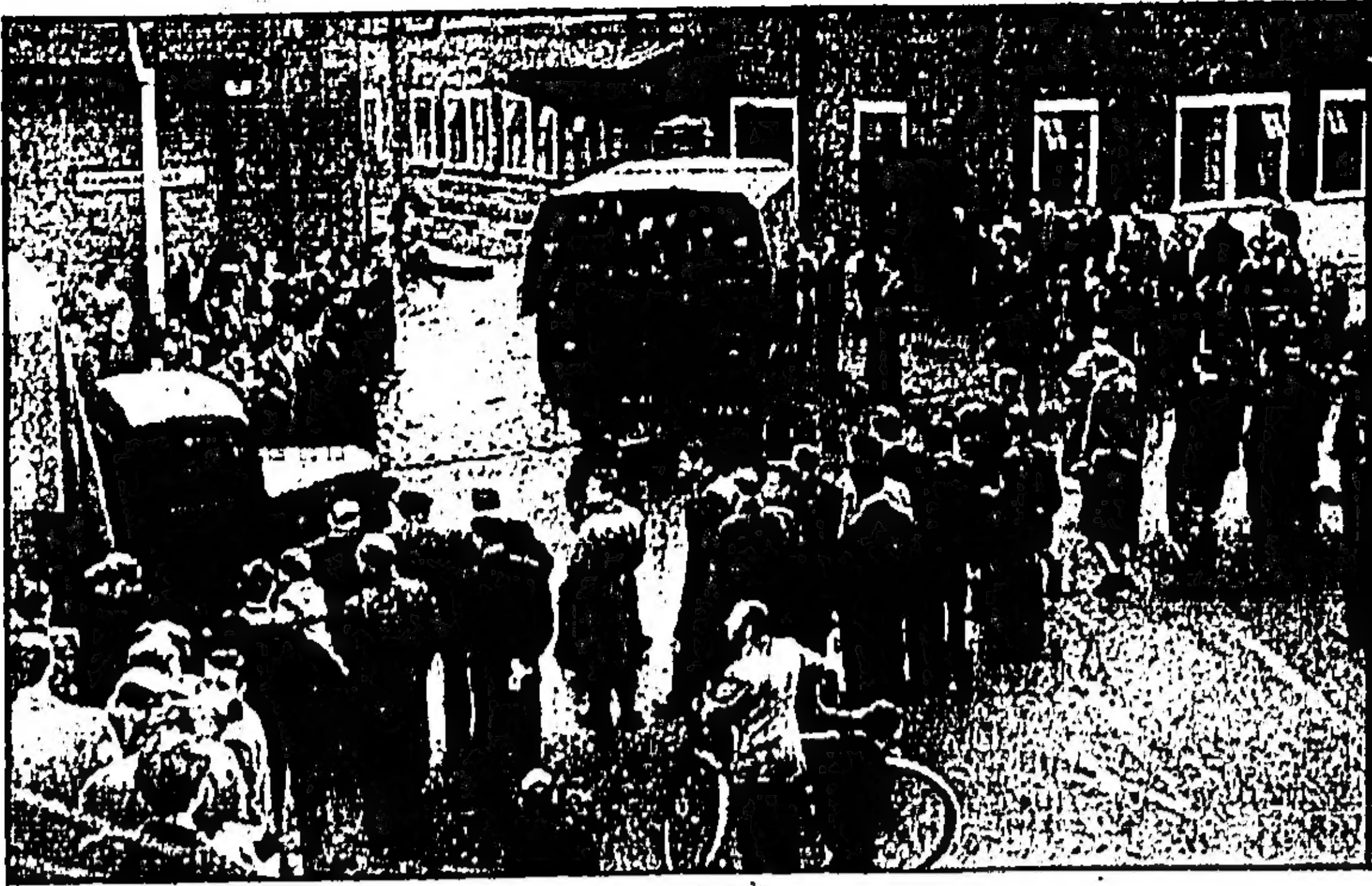
"These notes would have to state specifically that Japan would obey Australia's fishing laws pending the court's judgment, which would be final and against which there would be no appeal."

The correspondent added that in drafting Australia's case, Australian legal experts would confer with legal authorities in Washington and London.

The United States had a particular interest in the outcome of the case because she had proclaimed sovereignty over part of her continental shelf and Australia—China Mail Special.

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Troops Deliver Petrol In London



"Operation Tanker," in which troops took over the distribution of petrol supplies in London during the recent week-long strike of tanker drivers, saved the capital's road transport from being completely tied up. Picture shows troops arriving at a key petrol depot in Towermead Road, Fulham; among those who watched outside the gates were some of the strikers.—Central Press Photo.

Insufficient Reason For Desertion

Buenos Aires, Nov. 3. An Argentine wife cannot leave her husband merely because he beat up his mother-in-law, the civil court decided.

A wife had sued for separation, claiming her husband had punched her mother and blacked her eye. The husband explained that his mother-in-law had provoked him by kicking him.

The court, in rejecting the wife's suit, said it was to be hoped that "time, meditation and the existence of a child" would lead to a reconciliation of the differences arising from the mother-in-law's "exaggerated intervention."

Divorce is not recognised in Argentina.—China Mail Special.

Every Stop Brings New Breakfast

Air travellers are finding that when making frequent short or medium-distance flights to and from the Continent they have time to do little else except eat.

On all Continental services, airlines serve hot meals throughout the day—and an internal service on which hot meals are not served there are always refreshments.

Passengers who change flights several times for a comparatively short journey may thus find one duplication of meals.

One passenger flying from Germany to Paris recently reported that he ate three breakfasts and two lunches.

On long-distance flights there are some meal-time difficulties. Flying to London from Singapore or Tokyo, the air passenger often finds he is just keeping pace with the sun—and consequently may eat "breakfast" at almost every stop on the way.

Excavations On Ancient Church

Lavant, Austria, Nov. 3. Archaeologists have completed excavations of the oldest Christian church in Austria, a fifth century building on Kirchbühl Hill, near Lavant, in the East Tyrol.

The church, believed to have been the headquarters of the Bishop of the Celtic-Roman city of Aguntum, is 40 metres (120 feet) long and 10 metres (30 feet) wide with an adjoining baptistry. Close by is an old castle which may have been connected with the church.

Archaeologists now plan to excavate completely the remains of the adjoining city of Aguntum, Celtic centre in pre-historic times occupied by the Romans a few years before Christ.—China Mail Special.

Gandhi Memorial

Ahmedabad, Nov. 3. The house where Mahatma Gandhi stayed here in 1915 on his return from his campaign in South Africa has been bought by the Indian Government as a memorial and museum.

It was in this house that Gandhi first propagated his ideas about the spinning wheel, uplift for the "untouchables" and the use of Hindi as an all-India language.—China Mail Special.

Flocks Of Birds Greater Menace Than Locusts

Johannesburg, Nov. 3. Flocks of birds, almost rivaling swarms of locusts in numbers and outrivalling them in sheer destruction of crops, are feared to be threatening South Africa and possibly large areas of tropical Africa as well.

A three-man team of South African scientists, headed by Dr T. J. Naude, Chief of the Division of Entomology, has been formed to study the menace and devise methods of control.

Their investigations so far suggest that the progress of South African farming is being movingly Nature's brakes on the unlimited multiplication of quail finches or waxbills—possibly the world's most efficient destroyers of grain.

If so, the fact that large numbers of quail finches have failed to leave the Union during the past winter for their usual breeding grounds in the tropical savannahs of Bechuanaland and along the Limpopo is the prelude to the bird damage on an increasing scale to the Union's wheat crop, and probably foreshadows the end of sorghum growing.

In many parts of the world, farming has converted harmless species of insects into major pests by providing conditions under which they can multiply without the normal break of seasonal famines.

It is feared that South Africans have removed Nature's limitations on the quails (a) by providing water, which they need daily, in dams and irrigation schemes; (b) by giving them an almost year-round food supply by growing both summer grains and winter grains.

MAJOR MENACE

If this is the underlying cause of the immense damage done by quail flocks last autumn in the northern and far western Transvaal, north-western and north-eastern Free State, end of the disquieting presence of winter flocks far and wide, even on the high veld, ready to attack the coming wheat harvest, a major menace to South African food supplies has appeared.

Dr Naude estimates that a fair-sized flock of quails, individually weighing little more than half an ounce, may collectively weigh 70 tons. If each bird eats roughly its own weight of grass seed or grain daily, which is usual, a single flock could eat up £2,500 worth.

Observation on the Springbok Flats in the northern Transvaal during the past harvest, the first good one after years of drought, largely bears this out.

One 250-acre field of sorghum which promised a magnificent yield of 12 bags to the acre was completely stripped of grain in three weeks, despite steps taken by the owner to prevent it.

Eighty-four-acre crops of millet and sorghum were cleaned out in 10 days.—China Mail Special.

Increase In Tokyo Telephone Rates

Tokyo, Nov. 3. A spokesman of the Telephone and Telegraph Corporation said telephone rates in Tokyo would be raised from January next year.

Office phone rates would be increased by 100 yen a month and home phones by 70 yen. Public telephone fees would not be affected, the spokesman said.—China Mail Special.

Anglican Bishop Speaks Out

London, Nov. 3. Many church people "enjoy the titillations which these papers supply," said the Bishop of Exeter, Dr A. C. Mortimer, today, when he attacked the exploiting of sex by "parts of the national press."

He told a Diocesan Conference that protests beginning to come from within the press itself at the degree to which human interest in sex was exploited by some national newspapers were a valuable and healthy sign.

"Christians also have a duty here," said Dr Mortimer. "I suspect that many of us persuade ourselves we do not suffer from reading them. We are wrong."

"The situation has become too serious. It is the duty of every Christian to be honest with himself and refuse to buy the papers of which he knows his moral principles force him to disapprove."—China Mail Special.

Exploit Comes To An End

Graz, Nov. 3. A 20-year-old youth who dressed up like an American cowboy and rode about the countryside terrorising people has been shot dead by a police patrol in Styria, Austria.

Police said that Alois Sammer, a farm labourer, stole a horse and took it to a "hide-out" in the woods.

There he put on his cowboy dress, including a broad-brimmed hat and a bright red handkerchief.

He armed himself with an old German army carbine, a pistol, a stiletto and two cartridge belts filled with ammunition.—China Mail Special.

Girl Bigamist Convicted

Melbourne, Nov. 3. Dorothy May West, 19, of Carlton, went to gaol for four months on two charges of having committed bigamy—the second while on bail awaiting trial for the first offence.

Police evidence said West told them she "married" the third time because "this chap's different, I'm going to keep him."

The judge gave her a light sentence because she had not harmed anybody, particularly, and because her background was tragic.—China Mail Special.

U.K. Balance Of Payments Surplus Down

London, Nov. 3.

Britain's external payments were still running on the right side in the first half of this year, the Treasury has announced, but by a much smaller margin than in the previous half year.

The surplus in the balance of payments during the first half of 1953 was £26 million sterling excluding United States defence aid, or £81 million sterling including aid. In the second half of 1952 the surplus was £93 million sterling excluding aid, or £156 million sterling including aid.

All the drop of £75 million sterling between the two half-years was due to bigger imports of food and feed. It was the net result of improvements of £54 million sterling with the dollar area and of £6 million sterling with Western Europe, outweighed by deteriorations of £101 million sterling with other non-sterling areas and of £34 million sterling with the sterling area.

Spending by United States and Canadian forces in Britain rose

from £11 million sterling (30 million dollars) in the second half of 1951 to £20 million sterling (53 million dollars) in the first half of 1952, £25 million sterling (70 million dollars) in the second half of 1952, and £30 million sterling (85 million dollars) in the first half of 1953. A new item in the first half of 1953 is receipts of £7 million sterling (20 million dollars) for officers' sales to the United States Government for supply to the armed forces of Britain and other NATO countries.

Sterling balances increased by £172 million sterling during the half year, from £4,001 million sterling to £4,173 million sterling. These liabilities are thus far £359 million sterling to £845 million sterling. Moreover most of the increase of £138 million sterling in the gold and dollar assets was outweighed by the increase in the sterling liabilities.

Canada's Dumping Laws May Be Tightened

Ottawa, Nov. 3.

Canada is likely to tighten her dumping laws as a prelude to the signing of a new trade agreement, lowering import tariffs on Japanese goods, according to usually reliable political observers.

The Japanese trade pact is in the drafting stage and may be ready for signing within the next few months. But there is growing concern among industries that lowering of the tariff wall may invite a return to conditions of the 1930's when Japanese goods flooded the Canadian market at rock-bottom prices and forced some Canadian manufacturers out of business.

A tightening up of the dumping regulations is likely to be the Government's answer to the industries' fears. This would be done through changes to Section 33 of the Customs Act, dealing with "fair market values."

Dumping regulations in all countries are designed to protect domestic industry. Under them, the Government can ban imports if an article is imported at a price below what is considered its "fair market value."

Until 1948, Canada considered this to mean a price tag including the cost of production in the home market, plus a reasonable margin for handling costs and profit.

NEW DEFINITION

However, in 1948 it changed the wording, and thereby eased the restriction when Canada and other countries signed the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, lowering tariffs among the signatory countries.

Fair market value now is defined as the normal wholesale price in the home market, provided it operates under fully competitive conditions and has standards comparable to those in Canada. Thus cost of production no longer enters into it.

Canada hoped by her 1948 actions that the United States would follow suit, but the United States declined to do so. Now, with the Japanese agreement coming up, various industries in Canada have suggested that Canada revert to the pre-1948 regulation. Others have suggested that Canada impose even stiffer dumping laws.

Observers expect the Government to effect a compromise, making things a little harder for the importer but not as hard as some Canadian industries would like.—China Mail Special.

LONDON TIN MARKET

London, Nov. 3. The tin market was quiet. Turnover was 20 tons of which five tons were for cash. Closing prices at the end of the official morning session were as follows:

Spot (30 days)	815
Buyers	815 1/2
Sellers	815 1/4
3-month tin	805
Buyers	805 1/2
Sellers	805 1/4
Settlement	815 1/2

United Press.

JAPANESE BONDS

London, Nov. 3. Japanese bonds:

"A" (4s of 1959)	73
"B" (4s of 1910)	63 1/2
"C" (8s of 1907)	115 1/2
"D" (8s of 1924)	94 1/2
"E" (5 1/2s of 1930)	140 1/2
"F" (Tokyo 5 1/2s of 1920)	78 1/2
"G" (Tokyo 5s of 1912)	85 1/2
Consols	83 1/2

United Press.

Giant Floating Whale Factory

Rotterdam, Nov. 3. Shipbuilders at Scheepdem have sold the keel for a sleek floating whale factory, the Willem Barndas II.

With a displacement of 44,000 tons, the vessel will be Holland's biggest merchant vessel when completed in the summer of 1955.

The whole factory alone, crew apart, will employ about 300 men and is capable of producing about 3,000 tons of fish meal a season as well as large quantities of whale oil, the main product.—China Mail Special.

Liverpool Grain Market Trading In Wheat Futures Again

London, Nov. 3.

The Liverpool grain market will trade in wheat futures on December 1 for the first time in 14 years.

This decision—which will enable merchants to hedge their purchases by selling futures, thus minimising the risk of price fluctuation in wheat—was given in a notice released to traders by the Liverpool Corn Trade Association. Headed "Trading in Wheat for Future Delivery," the notice added that authorised delivery months will be announced later. A decision in regard to starting trading in corn for future delivery has not yet been reached.

Before the war futures markets in wheat and corn existed in both Liverpool and London. In each case, trading in wheat was much bigger than trading in other grains and had a position ranking with Chicago, Winnipeg and Buenos Aires markets.

Since May 1, wheat, coarse grains and animal feed bought abroad by private traders have been free to enter the United Kingdom under licence through operation of futures markets has not so far been permitted.

It is understood that overseas traders as well as British traders will be allowed on the new futures market. Foreigners will be allowed to remit and receive sterling for margins and unpaid differences on contracts remaining open for maturity. Non-residents also will be allowed to make and take delivery in Britain. But they will not be allowed to re-export from Britain any wheat delivered to them for maturity of futures purchases.

The decision to start futures trading in wheat in December surprised merchants in London. It is thought unlikely that the London market will be ready to start futures trading in wheat by this date.

While technical arrangements for opening the London market are believed to be well advanced, few wheat traders are willing to buy wheat ahead in view of excess world supplies over likely needs. For these reasons, the first grain futures to be traded in London will probably be barley and maize.—United Press.

Grain Prices In Chicago

Chicago, Nov. 3.

Prices per bushel in cents:

Wheat, No. 2, red	183 nom.
Spot	183
Dec.	183 1/2
Jan.	183 1/4
May	183 1/2
July	183 1/2

Corn, No. 2, yellow
 142 1/2 |

Spot
 142 1/2 |

Dec.
 142 1/2 |

March
 142 1/2 |

July
 142 1/2 |

Rye
 122 1/2 |

Spot
 122 1/2 |

Dec.
 122 1/2 |

March
 122 1/2 |

July
 122 1/2 |

Oats
 77 1/2-78 |

Spot
 77 1/2 |

Dec.
 77 1/2 |

March
 77 1/2 |

July
 77 1/2 |

Soybeans, No. 2, yellow
 275 nom. |

Spot
 275 |

Dec.
 275 1/2 |

Jan.
 275 1/4 |

May
 275 1/2 |

July
 275 1/2 |

Barley
 130-140 |

Spot
 130-140 |

Dec.
 130-140 |

March
 130-140 |

July
 130-140 |

Sharp Decline In Orders To Shipyards In UK

London, Nov. 3.

The publication of Lloyd's Register of Shipbuilding Returns reveals a sharp decline in orders for merchant shipping placed in Britain during the first nine months of the year to 125 vessels of about 350,000 gross tons.

In the 12 months ended September 30, 166 vessels were ordered (510,000 gross tons) against 310 (1,858,000 tons) for the preceding period and the peak of 730 vessels (8,997,000 gross tons) in the year to September 1951.

This development again brings to the fore the controversy between builders and owners. On the one hand, the owners claim that failure to quote firm delivery dates and prices, on the part of the builders is one of their main difficulties.

This, combined with high taxation and over-increased costs, is making them think twice about ordering new tonnage. On the other hand, builders say the shortage of steel, forcing them to extend completion times, inevitably increases production costs.

They point out that they have also had to contend with wage and material cost increases between the placing of contracts and the delivery of completed vessels.

Owners have evidently used the weapon of refraining from ordering new tonnage. However, this weapon is two-edged and time alone will show how sharp the other edge is. Namely, how long owners will be able to stand the strain of maintaining in service obsolete vessels with their high running costs and low earning capacity, especially in view of the decline in the freight market.

Furthermore, a long period will elapse before the current 5.75 million ton order backlog is worked off, with launchings running at about 1.25 million tons annually, even if incoming orders continue at the present low annual rate of around 500,000 tons.

LATEST RETURNS

Meanwhile, returns for the third quarter of the current year present the following picture:—

(all 1,000 gross tons)

12 months ended	% of 1952	World Total
1953	100	100
1952	100	100
1951	100	100
1950	100	100
1949	100	100
1948	100	100
1947	100	100
1946	100	100
1945	100	100
1944	100	100
1943	100	100
1942	100	100
1941	100	100
1940	100	100
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1914	100	100
1913	100	100
1912	100	100
1911	100	100
1910	100	100
1909	100	100
1908	100	100
1907	100	100
1906	100	100
1905	100	100
1904	100	100
1903	100	100
1902	100	100
1901	100	100
1900	100	100

Export work in UK yards was 27% of the tonnage under construction which in Holland it was 70%, Germany 60%, Sweden 45%, France 29%.

Oil tankers accounted for 54% of the tonnage building in UK representing 35% of all tankers building in the world, compared with 39% at September 1952 and 56% at September 1951.

ANOTHER WARNING

A further warning on the disastrous effect on shipbuilding of high taxation in the UK has been given by the President of the Chamber of Shipping, Mr. Donald Anderson.

He said that the Government, which is making the negotiations with the World Bank, will guarantee the loan.

With the loan financing it, the Thyssen Mill hopes to speed output to around 1,000,000 tons of steel yearly. This will be part of West Germany's drive to boost total production to an annual 20,000,000 tons within the next year or so.

Estimated output for this year is already 18,000,000. When the West allies still controlled output the permitted limit was 11,500,000 tons.

The Duisburg Mill is one of the 20 into which the British, French and Americans split the Thyssen Combine under their plans for industrial de-concentration announced early this year.

The operation meant £13,000,000 each in shares to Fritz Thyssen's widow Amelie and their daughter Countess Anita Zichy, now living in Buenos Aires.

The bulk of the two heiresses' holdings are in other successor companies but each also have a limited number of shares in the Duisburg plant.—London Express Service.

Exchange Rates

Business done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:—

U.S. dollar (per £1)	5.91
Sterling notes (per £1)	15.75
Indian rupees (per £1)	15.50
Siam ticals (per £1)	30.20
Singapore dollars (per £1)	1.75
Indo-China piastres (per £1)	9.5

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$521,476.20. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:—

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

HK Bank 1510 1525 25 @ 1525

East Asia 100

Insurance 52 1/2

Union 100 @ 630

Underwriters 5.80

HSBC 175

Shipping 1.01 1/2

Waterboard 1.01 1/2

1500 @ 1.35

Docks, etc. 1.35 1/2

HSBC 21.80

Provident 12.4

